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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Demand ranged light to very good, mostly moderate to fairly good at retail outlets. Supplies were fully sufficient to at times tight for present needs. Breaking stock demand was moderate to good for tight to adequate offerings. Light type fowl were sufficient to fully adequate for the light to fair at best demand. Processing schedules were reduced due to the holiday.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL EGG** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment steady. Retail demand was somewhat mixed ranging light to very good, mostly moderate to fairly good with a limited number of features providing the best interest. Loose egg sales were moderate to good, best into vacation and resort areas. Supplies were adequate to tight. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were seen as more available and were rated as adequate to barely adequate. Demand was mostly fairly good to good. Schedules reduced. Floor stocks were balanced to instances tight. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	65-74	67-71
LARGE	64-72	65-70
MEDIUM	50-58	53-55

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS

LARGE	47-51
MEDIUM	33-35
SMALL	12-16

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL EGG** Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady entering the 4th of July holiday weekend. Demand ranged moderate to fairly good. Supplies were fully sufficient for needs. Breaking stock demand was moderate to good, floorstocks ranged tight to adequate. Light type fowl were adequate to fully adequate for the light to no better than fair demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	71-83	71-74
LARGE	65-80	70-72
MEDIUM	53-68	58-60

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL EGG** Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand ranged light to very good, usually moderate to fairly good. Food service movement was moderate to good with vacation and resort areas providing the best interest. Supplies were well balanced to tight.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	73.5-81	74-75
LARGE	68.5-76	70-71
MEDIUM	53.5-60	55-57

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL EGG** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Demand was moderate to occasionally good, best into limited feature activity. Medium 30-count eggs were on special for \$1.78. Supplies ranged sufficient to at times fully adequate for current needs. Breaking stock demand was moderate to good for tight to sufficient offerings. Light type hens were adequate to fully sufficient for the mostly light to no better than fair demand. Processing schedules were reduced for the holiday week.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69.5-77	71-74
LARGE	68-75	69-72
MEDIUM	53.5-61	53-57

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**NEW YORK EGGS** Prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady. Demand entering the holiday weekend was moderate to occasionally good. Supplies were adequate for current trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	80-84
LARGE	78-82
MEDIUM	65-69

**CHICAGO EGGS** Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate. Supplies adequate for current needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	70-76
LARGE	68-74
MEDIUM	54-60

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**WESTERN REGION EGG** Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. Retailer demand mainly moderate. Offerings adequate.

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand mainly moderate. Offerings generally adequate. Small benchmark price 68. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets- extra large dozen 99, 20 pack 199, large dozen 69-99.

**CALIFORNIA** California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	114
EXTRA LARGE	109
LARGE	102
MEDIUM	88

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	93-104
EXTRA LARGE	91-99
LARGE	89-92
MEDIUM	75-78

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	259-339
EXTRA LARGE	259-319
LARGE	219-229
MEDIUM	199

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices were unchanged. Offerings were seen as more available and were rated as adequate to barely adequate. Demand was mostly fairly good to good. Schedules reduced. Floor stocks were balanced to instances tight. Trade sentiment steady.

Prices paid, material exchanged, 30 dozen case equivalent, 48 lb, minimum net weight, delivered to breakers, cents per dozen. **RANGE MOSTLY**

NEST RUN 49-51 50-51

CHECKS & UNDERGRADES 35-40

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

**EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK** Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to early week trading. The trade sentiment was steady. Demand was moderate to good, however buyers were not as active as the previous week. Floor stocks were in a full range of tight to adequate. Breaking schedules for the current week were reduced for the holiday. Cases broken in the Eastern region for the week ending 28 Jun 2003 were 6 percent higher than last week, but about unchanged from a year ago.

prices paid, material exchanged, 30 dozen case equivalent, 48 lb. minimum net weight, delivered to breakers, cents per dozen. **RANGE MOSTLY**

NEST RUN 46-50 47-49

CHECKS & UNDERGRADES 33-40 34-38

EASTERN REGION AREA: AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV

#### EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

##### WEEK ENDING 28-JUN-03

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,229,918	29,759	11,355	6,307	2,507	4,281
PW	1,197,007	29,222	10,934	5,916	2,306	4,149
LY	1,306,769	29,340	13,222	7,091	3,341	4,485
% CHG PW	3	2	4	7	9	3
% CHG LY	-6	1	-14	-11	-25	-5
2003	29,500,807	719,769	269,043	148,090	60,240	107,646
2002	30,612,427	709,920	302,880	163,239	73,428	109,545
% CHG YTD	-4	1	-11	-9	-18	-2
<b>AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE</b>			<b>CURRENT</b>	<b>PREVIOUS</b>	<b>LAST</b>	
			<b>WEEK</b>	<b>WEEK</b>	<b>WEEK</b>	
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)			42.04	41.96	41.43	
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)			38.56	38.49	38.00	

**NATIONAL LIQUID** Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 61 to 70.5 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm for all liquid products. Offerings were adequate to about adequate for whole egg and whites and adequate to barely adequate for yolk. Offerings of yolk for immediate needs were unavailable at this call. Demand was good to very good for all products with increased interest noted for liquid yolk. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to last week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 04 July, 2003 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	CHANGE FROM	
			WTD. AVG.	LAST WEEK
WHOLE	86	45-47	46.00	
WHITES	10	33-37.5	33.95	1.40
YOLKS	14	66-71	68.961	3.18

**EASTERN REGION FROZEN** Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady at prevailing price levels with majority prices higher when compared to previous week's trading. Demand was seasonal but slightly better for the holiday week than was anticipated. Offerings were in a full range but generally reported as short to about adequate for trade needs. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 28 Jun 2003 were 10% more than the previous week, and 5% more than a year ago.

	TRUCKLOTS		LTL
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	52-60	57-59	65-69
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		76-95
WHITES	40-48	46-48	52-59
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	71-83	78-82	85-89
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	71-79	75-78	81-89
(/) - whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids.			

**CENTRAL REGION FROZEN** Frozen prices ranged higher with sugared yolk ranging unchanged to 1 cent higher. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady at currently quoted values. Demand was fairly good to good in most locations with offerings tight to barely adequate. Frozen inventories were reported as generally hand to mouth and held in confident hands with little negotiating reported between buyers and sellers. Breaking stock prices were unchanged when compared to last week's reported prices.

wholesale selling prices (cents per pound in 30 lb containers)

	TRUCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	57-59	57-58
WHITES	46-48	
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	78-83	79-81
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	75-82	75-76

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN** Prices 1 cent higher on whole and whites, 2 cents higher on sugar yolks, and 3 cents higher on salt yolks. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 6/28 was 7% less than the previous week. Frozen demand moderate with freezer stocks in good balance.

wholesale selling prices, fob shipping point (cents per pound in 30 lb containers)

	LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)
	RANGE
WHOLE	63-66
WHITES	52-55
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	85-88
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	82-85

**NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT** Mostly prices were higher to sharply higher on all products when compared to last week's trading. Trade sentiment was full steady to firm. Demand was light to good with offerings balanced to short of needs. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending 28 Jun 2003 were 9% more than the previous week but 25% less than the same week last year. The total year to date dried egg produced were 18% less than a year ago.

wholesale selling prices, dollars per lb, in cont., trucklot & less-than-trucklot volumes.

WHOLE	1.95-2.55	MOSTLY 2.15-2.20
YOLKS	1.70-1.95	MOSTLY 1.80-1.95
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	3.05-3.65	MOSTLY 3.35-3.55
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.42-1.65	MOSTLY 1.50-1.60

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 26, 2003-JULY 02, 2003****CURRENT LOADS** 93.00**FUTURE LOADS** 75.50**TOTAL LOADS** 168.50

	<b>SE</b>		<b>NE</b>		<b>MW</b>		
<b>CLASS</b>	<b>ORG</b>	<b>DST</b>	<b>ORG</b>	<b>DST</b>	<b>ORG</b>	<b>DST</b>	<b>LOADS</b>
GNR W 1	—	53.75	53.25	54.50	53.25	55.25	13.00
GNR W 2	—	53.00	—	—	—	—	2.00
GNR W 3	—	43.00	—	—	37.00	39.00	2.00
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	41.00	43.00	3.00
GNR BR 1	—	63.00	—	—	—	—	1.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	57.50	—	3.00
GL W XL	—	64.00	62.83	65.03	59.48	—	46.75
GL W LG	—	67.00	60.75	63.08	57.33	59.39	28.25
GL W MD	—	—	46.33	48.82	44.83	44.50	17.25
GL W SM	31.00	33.00	30.60	32.20	30.00	31.00	6.50
GL BR LG	65.00	—	—	70.00	—	—	1.50
NRBS - 48	50.00	—	48.00	48.88	53.00	51.33	51.00
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	49.00	1.00
NRBS - 39	—	—	34.00	37.50	—	39.50	3.75

	<b>SC</b>		<b>NW</b>		<b>SW</b>		
<b>CLASS</b>	<b>ORG</b>	<b>DST</b>	<b>ORG</b>	<b>DST</b>	<b>ORG</b>	<b>DST</b>	<b>LOADS</b>
GNR W 1	50.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00
GNR W 2	50.00	—	—	—	—	—	2.00
GL W J	65.00	—	—	—	67.00	70.05	5.50
GL W XL	60.75	63.11	—	—	—	68.22	20.50
GL W LG	57.67	61.00	—	—	—	66.14	25.25
GL W MD	43.78	52.00	—	—	—	51.76	7.00
GL W SM	27.00	28.00	—	—	—	—	1.00
GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	68.50	72.00	.75
GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	68.50	72.00	.75
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.00

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

**LIGHT TYPE HENS**

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL  
WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

(INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER  
CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

**EASTERN REGION** Removal values were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Offerings of spent hens were adequate to fully adequate for current trade needs. Demand was mostly light to no better than fair. Processing schedules were reduced for the holiday week. Opinions on removal cost were steady.

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>
REMOVAL COST	0-12	8-10

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Costs of disposal were generally unchanged from the past week. Offerings were fully adequate with demand easily filled. Schedules were reduced and as desired. Finished sales were seasonal. Opinions were steady for future bookings of leghorn fowl.

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Values were irregular when compared to last week. Demand was slow with traditional processors working very light schedules as finished product movement continued disappointing. Movement into rendering operations had picked up and many producers were searching for other less expensive means of disposal. Opinions of value unsettled.

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>
REMOVAL COST	0-11	10-11

**WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN** Plants worked lighter holiday week schedules. Offerings generally adequate.

**SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL** FOR W/E 03-JUL-03  
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A  
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED  
WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

<b>REGIONS</b>	<b>EX LARGE</b>	<b>LARGE</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>
NORTHEAST	72.50	71.00	59.00
SOUTHEAST	72.50	70.50	55.00
MIDWEST	69.00	67.50	54.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	74.50	70.50	56.00
COMBINED REGIONAL	72.24	69.89	55.99

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY  
REGIONAL AREA POPULATIONS

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET** Majority prices were unchanged on both light and heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for the mostly limited but sufficient offerings; with some buyers looking for additional supplies of heavy canners. The undertone was seasonal but generally steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

<b>LIGHT CANNER HENS</b>	<b>HEAVY CANNER HENS</b>
<b>(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)</b>	<b>(WITHOUT NECKS)</b>
20-25 MAJORITY 23-24	30-36 MAJORITY 32.5-33

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

<b>LIGHT CANNER HENS</b>	<b>HEAVY CANNER HENS</b>
<b>(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)</b>	<b>(WITHOUT NECKS)</b>
22-26.5 MAJORITY 25-26	31.5-38 MAJORITY 34-35

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 28-Jun-03  
(PRELIMINARY)

<b>U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY</b>		
<b>LIGHT HENS</b>	<b>HEAVY HENS</b>	<b>TOTAL HENS</b>

(UNAVAILABLE)

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending June 21, 2003		Year-To-Date	
	2003	2002/1	2003
Liquid	407	345	7,563
Frozen	0	21	3
Dried	25	0	257
Total	432	366	7,823

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending June 21, 2003		Year-To-Date	
	2003	2002/1	2003
Liquid	118	160	2,868
Frozen	10	18	1,626
Dried	80	80	761
Total	208	258	5,255

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S. Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending June 21, 2003		Year-To-Date	
	2003	2002 /1	2003
Jumbo	0	30	226
Extra Large	893	150	10,578
Large	4,410	2,634	44,418
Medium	750	960	30,588
Ungraded	6,120	10,920	31,146
Misc	0	0	3,852
Total	12,173	14,694	120,808

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -**(INCL GOVT STOCKS) SELECTED STGE CENTERS  
(IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 06/30/03	3,217	206,547	57,525
AM 06/01/03	2,700	219,295	43,194
CHG	517	-12748	14331
PCT CHG	19%	-6%	33%

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS** W/E 28-Jun-2003

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW	PCT CHG
ATLANTA	21.9	18.4	19
BOSTON	3.4	3.9	-13
CHICAGO	55.9	56.5	-1
DETROIT	28.7	26.6	8
KANSAS CITY	8.2	3.9	110
LOS ANGELES	88.1	87.5	1
NEW ORLEANS	11.4	10.3	11
NEW YORK	31.5	30.9	2
ST. LOUIS	16.6	17.4	-5
SAN FRANCISCO	21.6	21.7	0
TOTAL	287.3	277.1	4
4 WK MVG AVG	282.8		

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

W/E 28-Jun-03

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	210.6	-3	-7
E.N. CENTRAL	536.7	-3	23
W.N. CENTRAL	291.5	-2	17
S. ATLANTIC	156.1	-8	3
S. CENTRAL	100.0	0	30
WEST	193.6	1	5
TOTAL	1488.5	-2	12
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		86	86

**NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT**

01-Jul-2003

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS  
DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	123	119	85	53
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	116-120	111-115	78-82	46-50
MOSTLY	118-119	113-114	80-81	48-49
RHODE ISLAND	122-126	118-122	84-88	52-56
MOSTLY	122	118	84	52
VERMONT	125-126	120-122	85-88	-
MOSTLY	126	122	88	-

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